Category	Points	Evaluation Criteria
Performance Measures	36	Project would address:  a pollutant of concern in a DEC-approved watershed implementation plan (i.e. TMDL, Nine Element Watershed Plan, or DEC HABs Action Plan), CSO Long Term Control Plan or SSO plan; or  the discharge of a pollutant causing the impairment to a waterbody listed in the WI/PWL segment assessment as "precluded" or "impaired"; or  the upgrade of municipal systems to meet new wastewater treatment effluent disinfection requirements.
	20	Project would address the discharge of a pollutant causing the impairment of a waterbody listed in the WI/PWL segment assessment as "stressed" or "threatened".
	10	Project would address a documented water quality impairment that is not listed in the WI/PWL segment assessment.
	5	Project is necessary to preserve or protect a surface waterbody; no impairment associated with wastewater discharges is listed in the WI/PWL segment assessment.
Strategies	22	Project is:      required by a draft or final SPDES Permit or Order on Consent, including the preparation of a flow management plan; or     is identified in a DEC-approved watershed implementation plan (i.e. TMDL, Nine Element Watershed Plan, or DEC HABs Action Plan).
	12	Project is for a new wastewater treatment and/or collection system to replace or upgrade an existing system, but is not required by a draft or final SPDES Permit or Consent Order. This includes regionalization projects.
	6	Project is for a new wastewater treatment and/or collection system for a currently unsewered area.
Vision	7	Project is in a formally adopted plan <sup>4</sup> <b>and</b> the Applicant has demonstrated that the public and stakeholders who will be affected by, or who can advance the project, have been engaged in project planning and implementation.
	3	Project is in a formally adopted plan <b>or</b> the Applicant has demonstrated that the public and stakeholders who will be affected by, or who can advance the project, have been engaged in project planning and implementation.
	0	Project is not in a formally adopted plan <b>and</b> the Applicant has not demonstrated that the public and stakeholders who will be affected by, or who can advance the project, have been engaged in project planning and implementation.
Agency Priority	10	<ul> <li>Project is:</li> <li>required by an executed Order on Consent; or required by a draft or final SPDES permit (e.g. disinfection, nitrification, etc.); or</li> <li>constructing a wastewater treatment and/or collection system for an area with failing onsite septic systems; or</li> <li>identified in a DEC-approved watershed implementation plan (i.e. TMDL, Nine Element Plan or DEC HABs Action Plan); or</li> <li>submitted by an applicant who qualifies as a hardship community in the 2021 CWSRF Intended Use Plan</li> </ul>
	5	Project is to upgrade or replace an existing wastewater system.
	0	Project does not align with EFC and DEC priorities.
Environmental Justice	5	Project improves water quality in an Environmental Justice area or positively impact drinking water quality serving an EJ community.
	0	Project does not improve water quality in an Environmental Justice area nor positively impact drinking water quality serving an EJ community.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Formally adopted plans include comprehensive plans, master plans, asset management plans, local waterfront revitalization plans, and other land use planning type plans. Unacceptable plans include: annual system reports; consent orders, REDC strategies; TMDLs; TMDL implementation plans; watershed implementation plans; and watershed action agendas.